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To: Board of Education
From: Chris Simpson
Re: April Food Service Board Report
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Happy Spring Break! I know my team has been looking forward to some days off to rest and recover to push us through til the end of the year. March was a whirlwind for the Food Service department and I'm proud to say my team handled it like champs! Our National School Breakfast Week promotions saw us increase our breakfast participation by about 60 meals per day! Our catering event on 3/19 went off without a hitch and I cannot thank my team enough for the fantastic job they did! Our CHS Wellness Day sampling events showed us how much the students here like smoothies! We will be increasing these offerings at breakfast as we finish out the school year!

Looking forward to April, some of the Fun Days coming up this month include Cheddar Fries day on April 20th at CHS and BMS! April 13th is Grilled Cheese day featuring grilled cheese and tomato soup district wide! We will be traveling to Korea for Global Eats this month and we are also continuing the last month of our Bloom Into Breakfast campaign. We are continuing to try new breakfast and breakfast-for-lunch items throughout the month at all buildings! Another important day that we will participate in occurs on April 29th and that is Stop Food Waste Day! Stay tuned to my May board report to see how we participated!

Staffing:

- March was challenging for us from a staffing perspective. Faye Hendershot, who joined our team at Beach this year, had to suddenly move and so we no longer have her on our team. The team at Beach has done a great job of continuing to run the daily operations while being short handed.
- Several other staff experienced illness and/or had appointments to deal with in March which led to some challenging days. Shout to Amanda Clor, Jason Morris, and Vanessa Fisk for helping us at CHS get through the Friday before Spring Break!

Financials:

- The Senior Center ran through March with a sales volume of about \$14,000.
- Participation remains steady at around 60% throughout the district for our breakfast and lunch programs!

Respectfully,
Chris Simpson, Director of Food Services
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